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UTILISATION OF LEAVES OF TREES FOR FODDER
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any scheme has been formulated by the Government of utilise the leaves of trees like Khejri in Rajastan for fodder purpose; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a)&(b) There is no scheme on utilization of leaves of trees for fodder at present. However, under the National Afforestation Programme Scheme during the 10th Plan, fuel wood and fodder tree species can be part of the plantation project under the component of Silvipasture Development. The scheme is being implemented through the decentralized set up of Forest Development Agencies under the Ministry of Environment and Forest.Species such as Khejri can also be included. Farmers in Rajasthan have been using khejri as an excellent source of fodder.